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The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk and Executive Director
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff's Motion to Solicit Comments from Utilities and Other Interested Stakeholders Regarding Measures to Be Taken to Mitigate Impact of Threats to Safe and Reliable Utility Service Docket 2021-66-A

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") and Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP") or the "Companies") hereby notify the Commission of the Companies' support for the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff's ("ORS") Motion pending in the above docket.

The Companies recognize the challenging situation that unfolded in Texas and how difficult it must have been for customers to bear, and still bear, the scope and scale of this event. The Companies fully support the call by the Governor to examine these concerns as well as the ORS motion for this docket. We look forward to addressing the matters identified by ORS as well as our view of the issues pertinent to a South Carolina inquiry.

The Companies also file the attached Notice of Appearance to request that any information or correspondence filed with the Commission be served on the Companies' counsel of record.

Sincerely,

Heather Shirley Smith

cc: Parties of Record (via email w/attachment)